

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 423
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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mr. Dwight Kenneth
Turner.

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness and a profound sense of loss that the members of this General Assembly and the citizens of our state learned of the death of Dwight Kenneth Turner; and

WHEREAS, born October 28, 1960, Dwight Turner graduated from Fairley High School and was a distinguished citizen of the state of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, his proud mother, Christine Turner, suffers a great loss; and

WHEREAS, Dwight was a devout Christian and evinced his strong belief in the Lord through his active membership at Middle Baptist Church in Whitehaven, where the congregation will certainly miss his presence; and

WHEREAS, he strongly believed that music was his ministry, dedicating his life to the creation and promotion of gospel music; and

WHEREAS, blessed with immense talent and an entrepreneurial spirit, Dwight was the director of his own singing group, Dwight Turner and Perfect Praise; and

WHEREAS, he was responsible for producing such soul stirring inspirationals as "An Evening of Soul", "Roots", "Rhymes and Right Times", "A Whole Lotta Shakin", "Pippin", "Don't Bother Me" and "I Can't Cope"; and

WHEREAS, an active and vital participant in city-wide gospel music affairs, he was the assistant chapter representative for the Memphis Chapter of the Gospel Music Workshop of America; and

WHEREAS, Dwight's spiritual growth and development began at an early age; he performed his first solo, "Amazing Grace", at Lakeview M.B. Church at the tender age of seven; and

WHEREAS, Dwight also dedicated himself to his employment with the Federal Express Corporation, working diligently as a trace agent; and

WHEREAS, although he has relinquished this life for a far greater existence, the legacy Dwight leaves behind will be long remembered and treasured by friends and associates for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body pause in its deliberations to remember the exemplary life of this fine Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby pause to remember the life of Mr. Dwight Kenneth Turner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.